

## **Three month position available in plant restoration ecology with USDA/ARS, Fort Keogh Livestock and Range Research Laboratory in Miles City, MT**

Pay: GS 3 or GS 4 dependent on knowledge and experience

Motivated individual needed to assist with vegetation data collection from mid-May to mid-August, 2011. This project will determine the factors that contribute to success of mine revegetation projects. Success will be measured in terms of seeded grass establishment and the non-establishment of noxious weeds in these areas. The successful candidate will aid in quantifying establishment of seeded species, other native species, and noxious weeds in mine revegetation projects in Montana, Wyoming and Colorado.

Extensive travel is required and field work will include driving, hiking, perhaps camping, establishing plot locations, measuring plant cover and biomass, soil sampling, and recording and entering data. Candidate must be capable of working extensive hours outside in inclement weather conditions and be able to independently carry out work assignments. This position is a federal government position, requiring a background check. Selection is contingent on a successful background investigation.

### Eligibility and Qualifications:

1. Must be a U. S. citizen or a citizen of certain countries in alliance with the United States (must have permanent residency).
2. Must have a current, valid driver's license.
3. Candidates with general knowledge of the basic principles of biological sciences (e.g., plant biology, soils, weed science etc.) will be given preference.
4. Must have ability to operate a personal computer using spreadsheets and/or other software programs.

How to apply: Please submit a resume or an OF-612 downloaded at <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov> to USDA/ARS, 243 Fort Keogh Rd, Miles City, MT 59301 attention Sue Bellows.

For more information contact Sue Bellows at 406-874-8204 or [sue.bellows@ars.usda.gov](mailto:sue.bellows@ars.usda.gov)

Application deadline: April 1, 2011